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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Mohammad A. Siddiqi

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --

Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) OR THIRTY (30) DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 05 July 2005.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 15-19 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 15-19 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date 07/11/2005.

- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____.
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

1. New claims 15-19 have been presented for examination. Claims 1-14 have been cancelled.

Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114

2. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on 07/05/2005 has been entered.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

3. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or on an international application by another who has fulfilled the requirements of

paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of section 371(c) of this title before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent.

4. Claims 15-19 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by McCanne et al. (6,785,704) (hereinafter McCanne).

5. As per claim 15, McCanne discloses a method, comprising receiving a request for content (col 6, line 30) having associated therewith an information object identified by a uniform resource locator including a redirector address mapping (since URL is produced by content provider, it must be identifying content, col 13, lines 17-26), using a lookup table (managing URL name space, col 13, lines 35-37; col 15, lines 15-30), the URL of the information object to a corresponding unicast address associated with an originating source for the information object (col 15, lines 1-9); and using the unicast address as an anycast address (any cast address is single unicast address shared by multiple entities, col 15, lines 1-9) so as to obtain the information object from a nearest information object repository identified by a redirector identified by the redirector address (col 15, lines 1-9).

6. As per claim 16, McCanne discloses directing the request to the nearest information object repository without regard (packet is routed to nearest device with in the content back bone, there is checking involved, col

15, lines 33-43) as to whether the information object is actually stored at the nearest information object repository (packet is routed to nearest device with in the content back bone, there is checking involved, col 15, lines 5-8; lines 33-43).

7. As per claim 17, McCanne discloses instructing the nearest information object repository to obtain a copy of the information object (packet is routed from one device to another device as it shown in fig 9; packet is routed to nearest device with in the content back bone, there is checking involved, col 15, lines 33-61)

8. As per claim 18, McCanne discloses the nearest information object repository is selected according to specified performance metrics (col 10, lines 56-67; col 11 lines 1-8).

9. As per claim 19, McCanne discloses the performance metrics comprise one or more of: average delay from the nearest information object repository to a source of the request, average processing delay at the nearest information object repository (col 15, lines 1-33), reliability of a path from the nearest information object repository, available bandwidth in said path (policies are programmed to properly balance the request, path delay,

and bandwidth are interpreted as programmed policies of infrastructure, col 16, lines 64-67; col 17, 1-16; col 10, lines 56-67; col 11 lines 1-8;), and loads on the nearest information object repository (policies are programmed to properly balance the request, path delay, and bandwidth are interpreted as programmed policies of infrastructure, col 16, lines 64-67; col 17, 1-16).


Conclusion

10. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Mohammad A. Siddiqi whose telephone number is (571) 272-3976. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday -Thursday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, John A. Follansbee can be reached on (571) 272-3964. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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